

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Takumi AKATSUKA, et al.

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SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER:

FILED: Herewith

FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEASURING SHAPE OF TUBULAR BODY

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.

☒ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e):

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☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	2002-266651	September 12, 2002
Japan	2002-289933	October 2, 2002
Japan	2002-296382	October 9, 2002
Japan	2003-009014	January 17, 2003
Japan	2003-031281	February 7, 2003
Japan	2003-054126	February 28, 2003
Japan	2003-105558	April 9, 2003
Japan	2003-193624	July 8, 2003

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

☐ are submitted herewith

☒ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee

☐ were filed in prior application Serial No. filed

☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number

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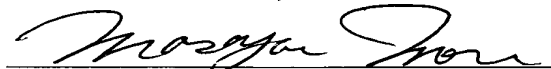
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